WESTCHESTER
COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL

AP World HIstory: Modern Summer Reading

APWH covers the years 1200 C.E. - present, and while it would be much easier to simply pick up at year 1200 and move forward, it is necessary for us to complete preliminary work in order to understand the context of the events we will learn in the first unit. We are completing what many APWH teachers refer to as Unit 0, covering pre-1200 history and religions. The prologue of our AMSCO text has an accompanying set of guided notes. The AMSCO is a softcover text and must be treated with care. Please do not write in these books. We are also completing a Civilizations and Cultural Traditions reading with guided notes (start at top of second page of reading). Your guided note packets are to be completed (handwritten) using the appropriate readings and are due the first day of school. This assignment is evidence of your commitment to the AP course workload; if you find you are unable to complete the assignment, your readiness for the course expectations will be reconsidered. You are expected to be very familiar with this material the first time we meet. Should you choose to complete your work early in the summer, you need to review your notes before we meet in August. There will be an assessment on this material either Friday or Monday after our return. Please come by my classroom to pick up your textbook, article and note guides. Below is a link to the packet in case you need to print another copy.

APWH Unit 0 Prologue Summer Work
Civilizations and Cultural Traditions Reading
Civilizations and Cultural Traditions Note Guide

I look forward to working with you all throughout the 2026-2027 school year. My email is bright.carter@westchestercds.org should you have any questions.